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Idaho Milk Production up 6.4 Percent

Idaho milk production during July 2006 totaled 960 million pounds, a 6.4 percent increase from the same month last year, and up 26 million pounds from June 2006, according to the Idaho Agricultural Statistics Service. Revised production for June 2006 totaled 934 million pounds, up 11 million pounds from the preliminary estimate and 9.0 percent above June 2005. Average milk production per cow in July 2006 was 1,960 pounds, unchanged from July 2005, and 50 pounds more than June 2006. The average number of milk cows during July was 490,000 head, up 1,000 head from June 2006 and up 30,000 head from July 2005.

Milk production in the 23 major States during July totaled 13.9 billion pounds, up 1.5 percent from July 2005. June revised production, at 14 billion pounds, was up 1.9 percent from June 2005. The June revision represented an increase of 6 million pounds from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,686 pounds for July, 3 pounds above July 2005. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.26 million head, 107,000 head more than July 2005, but 11,000 head less than June 2006.

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